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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE First Named Andreas Reinmann Inventor: Appln. No.: 10/789,943 Confirmation No.: 5798 Filing Date: February 27, 2004 Examiner: M. Desanto Membrane, Membrane-Cannula Combination, Title: Group Art Unit: 3763 and Connecting Device

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 3, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.